

School of Grad Studies Ph.D. Academic Calendar 25-26

2025-26	Description
Monday, May 19, 2025	Summer 2025 Registration Starts
Monday, June 2, 2025	Summer Session Begins (2025-26 AY)
Friday, July 18, 2025	Summer Session Ends (2025-26 AY)
Thursday, June 19, 2025	Juneteenth Holiday*
Friday, July 4, 2025	4th of July Holiday*
Friday, July 25, 2025	Grades Due in Banner/Reg.'s Office (Summer Session)
Thurs., July 31, 2025 - Fri., August 1, 2025	First Year Orientation and Registration
Monday, August 4, 2025	Classes Begin
Monday, August 4, 2025	Drop/Add Period
Friday, August 8, 2025	White Coat Ceremony - 1st Year Ph.D. Students
Monday, September 1, 2025	Labor Day Holiday*
Wednesday, September 17, 2025	Constitution Day
Monday, September 22, 2025	George H. Howard, Jr. Heritage Lecture & Candidacy Ceremony
Monday, Sept. 22, 2025 to Friday, Sept. 26, 2025	Student Research Week
Wednesday, September 24, 2025	Student Research Day (no classes)
Wednesday, October 1, 2025	Last Day to Publicly Defend Dissertation for Dec. Diploma
Friday, September 26, 2025	Fall Census Date
Monday, October 6, 2025	Convocation
Wednesday, October 8, 2025	Daniel T. Rolfe Scholars Memorial Heritage Lecture
Friday, October 31, 2025	Last Day to Submit Dissertation for Dec. Diploma
Monday, November 3, 2025	Spring 2026 Registration Starts
Friday, November 21, 2025	Fall Semester Ends
Thursday, November 27, 2025	Thanksgiving Holiday*
Friday, November 28, 2025	Grades Due in Banner/Registrar's Office
Friday, December 5, 2025	SEAPC for Continuing Students
Monday, January 5, 2026	Spring Classes Begin
Mon., Jan. 5, 2026 to Fri., Jan. 9, 2026	Drop/Add Period
Friday, January 16, 2026	ML King Remembrance Program
Monday, January 19, 2026	ML King Jr. Holiday*
Friday, January 30, 2026	Spring 2026 Census Date
Monday, March 9, 2026 - Friday, March 13, 2026	Spring Break
Wednesday, April 1, 2026	Last Day to Publicly Defend Thesis for May Diploma
Wednesday, April 1, 2026	Ralph J. Cazort Heritage Lecture
Monday, April 6, 2026	Returning Students Summer 2026 Registration
Monday, April 6, 2026	Returning Students Fall 2026 Registration
Friday, April 3, 2026	Good Friday – Meharry Holiday*
Friday, April 17, 2026	Classes End for May Graduates
Friday, April 24, 2026	Classes End for Cont. Students/PhD Research Continues
Friday, April 24, 2026	Last Day to Submit Thesis for May Diploma
Friday, April 24, 2026	Grades Due in Banner/Reg's Office for May Grads
Friday, May 1, 2026	SEAPC for Graduates
Friday, May 1, 2026	Spring Sem. Grades Due in Banner/Reg.'s Office for Cont. Students
Friday, May 8, 2026	SEAPC for Continuing Students
Saturday, May 16, 2026	Commencement
Monday, May 25, 2026	Memorial Day Holiday*
Monday, June 1, 2026	Summer Session Begins (2025-26 AY)
Friday, July 17, 2026	Summer Session Ends (2025-26 AY)